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SUBJ: PRESS REACTION TO SAKHAROV NOBEL PRIZE

1. TRADE UNION DAILY NEPSZAVA, OCT 15 CARRIED FOLLOWING COMMENTARY ON AWARD OF NOBEL PRIZE TO SAKHAROV: QUOTE THE AWARDING OF THE NOBEL PEACE PRIZE TO SOVIET NUCLEAR PHYSICIST SAKHAROV, HAS BECOME THE STARTING POINT OF A NEW ANTI-SOVIET CAMPAIGN IN THE WESTERN WORLD. THE PRIZE HAS BEEN AWARDED TO THE SAKHAROV WHO GAVE UP SCIENTIFIC WORK YEARS AGO IN EXCHANGE FOR A SPECIAL KIND OF POLITICAL ACTIVITY; THAT OF USING ALL HIS POWER TO OPPOSE THE PEACE POLICY OF THE SOVIET UNION--THE PROCESS OF INTERNATIONAL DETENTE.

"IT IS SAKHAROV'S PERSONAL TRAGEDY THAT IN A COUNTRY WHERE SCIENCE TODAY PRODUCES SO MANY WONDERFUL THINGS, HE STANDS AGAINST CREATIVE WORK. HE TOOK THE OPPOSITE ROAD AND WENT SO FAR AS TO BECOME ONE OF THOSE WHO ACCEPT AND PRAISE PINOCHET'S REGIME, IN CONTRADICTION TO THE HONEST MAJORITY OF MANKIND. IT IS, HOWEVER,

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ANOTHER QUESTION IN WHAT FLAGS WE CAN READ THE NAME

OF SAKHAROV AND WHO WAVE THEM.

"IF WE TAKE IT (CSCE) SERIOUSLY WE MAY ACHIEVE MUCH
CONFIDENCE AND COOPERATION, BUT THIS IS POSSIBLE ONLY
IF EVERY GOVERNMENT AND EVERY NATION TAKES IT SERIOUSLY
AND SINCERELY STRIVES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
PROVISIONS OF THE DOCUMENT. WE HAVE NOT, HOWEVER,
ARRIVED AT THIS POINT AS IS SHOWN BY SAKHAROV'S NOBEL
PRIZE. THIS IS REPEATED ANTI-SOVIET INCITEMENT IN
ORDER TO STOP THE SPEEDER FULFILLING OF THE POLICY OF
DETENTE. END QUOTE

2. HUNGARIAN PRESS CHARACTERISTICALLY CARRIED NEWS
OF AWARD OF NOBEL PRIZE TO SAKHAROV FIRST AS A TASS
REPORT ON OCTOBER 14 CRITICIZING ACTION OF NORWEGIAN
PARLIAMENT. NOW IN NEPSZAVA GOH HAS FOLLOWED UP
PROMPTLY WITH WHAT PURPORTS TO BE ITS OWN COMMENTARY
WHICH, OF COURSE, VARIES LITTLE FROM SOVIET LINE.
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